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Subject: DI SJUNCTIVE LABELING

We understand that the FDA is currently accepting comments on the use of "and/or" labeling. As a processor of Surimi ingredients we were concerned about the current regulations that would identify water as the principle ingredient when more than one species of fish is used. Water is not the No. # 1 ingredient...the No. # 1 ingredient is fish.

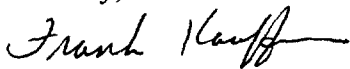
As an option we believe a more appropriate identification would be as follows;

Fish (may contain one or more of the following.....)50%, water 30% and other ingredients 20%.

In the Surimi business Pollack and Whiting are available at different times during the year. If we differentiate between species as an example the label would read that water is the principle ingredient which it is not. The number one ingredient is fish.

Please consider our request.

Sincerely,

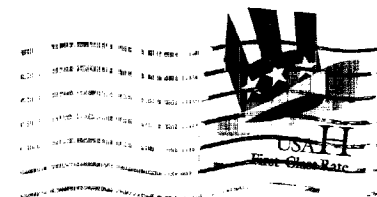
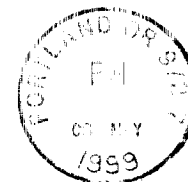


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